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Preface

This special issue of *Linear Algebra and its Applications* honors Hans Schneider for the extraordinary influence he has had on the development of linear algebra and matrix theory, and its practitioners, during the second half of the twentieth century. To recognize his remarkable achievements, the 7th Conference of the International Linear Algebra Society was held in Madison, Wisconsin, on June 3–6, 1998, with over two hundred registrants, and was dedicated to Hans. This volume of *Linear Algebra and its Applications*, containing papers presented at the conference, is dedicated to Hans with admiration, gratitude, and affection.

Hans, thanks for enriching our professional and personal lives. May you enjoy many more years of linear algebra research, active involvement in the linear algebra community, and personal pleasures.

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